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Contract

Pen-Testing (ITHC) Draw Down Contract for the AI Safety Institute

DESNZ & DSIT Group Commercial

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-science-innovation-and-technology>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Pen-Testing (ITHC) Draw Down Contract for the AI Safety Institute

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Department for Science, Innovation & Technology ("DSIT" or the "Buyer" or "the Authority") commissioned a contract with a suitable supplier for Penetration Testing Services through Cyber Security Services 3 / RM3764.3.

 The project was commissioned by the Artificial Intelligence Safety Institute (AISI), a directorate within the Department of Science and Innovation Technology (DSIT) (the Contracting Authority) through Crown Commercial Services "Cyber Security Services 3 / RM3764.3".

AISI sought a partner to consult on an ad hoc basis for pen-testing of up to 20 applications per year following the CHECK standard.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £150,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

AISI sought a partner to consult on an ad hoc basis for pen-testing of up to 20 applications per year following the CHECK standard.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

N/A - Procured through Crown Commercial Services "Cyber Security Services 3 / RM3764.3 "

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

21 November 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 14

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Arcanum Information Security Ltd

Caerphilly, Wales

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £150,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice

Westminster, London

Country

United Kingdom